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By:

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PATENT

Docket No. GC627-2

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Diaz-Torres *et al.*

Serial No.: 09/927,161

Filed: August 10, 2001

For: *Bacillus* Transformation, Transformants)  
and Mutant Libraries

Group Art Unit: 1639

Examiner: Shibuya, Mark

**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F. R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_.
- b. ☐ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_.

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2. **Miscellaneous**

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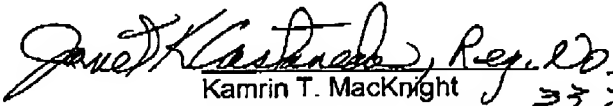
3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F. R. § 1.17(e) is required by C.F. R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 07-1048.
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F. R. § 1.17(e)
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- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

Respectfully submitted,

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